

② 24-year-old man murdered in Ibadan

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A 24-year-old man identified as Abass Olalere, has been murdered by yet-to-be identified gunmen in Ibadan, the Oyo State.

The murder, as reliably gathered, was perpetrated on Thursday at about 9:48p.m. at Labinkulu village, Moniya, in the Akinyele Local Government Area of the state.

The deceased was murdered in the presence of his wife and three-month-old son.

The incident has, however, thrown the entire neighbourhood into mourning.

Wife of the deceased, Omolayo Olalere, in an interview with newsmen said, "We were together outside at about 9:48pm when they [gunmen] suddenly invaded our house.

"I don't know them and my late husband had no misunderstanding with anybody before he was murdered.

"When they came in, we quickly rushed inside the

house and locked everywhere, but they broke the door and destroyed our windows to gain access.

"Before they gained entrance, one of my seniors in the house who was outside was beaten and almost killed.

"When they came inside, they told my husband to cooperate with them by lying on the table in the living room. As he did that, they started using different weapons such as dagger, axe, knife, broken bottles, cutlasses to hit him. He was also beaten with charms to ensure he didn't survive the attack.

"They were 12 in number and three of them covered their faces.

"After they left, we quickly rushed him to a hospital at Moniya, where we were later referred to another place.

"He, however, gave up the ghost on Friday. The case has been reported to the Divisional Police Station at Moniya." she explained.